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Construction System

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Sir:

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**AMENDMEN** 

In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2001 (Paper No. 16) kindly amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as follows:

## In the Specification:

Page 6, delete the second full paragraph (lines 10-18) and substitute therefor the following paragraph:

--In FIG. 2 we show in plan view a hub 21 with vertical female connectors distributed in a polar array with their principal axis perpendicular to the hub's main axis. These vertical female connectors consist of type 2 connectors all identical to 22, and type 3 connectors all identical to 23. Said connector 23 is constructed of two identical halves 24a and 24b. The separation between the two halves effectively creates a web 25 which acts as a stop to the

